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Dr. Forrest Allen
University of Kansas
Lawrence, Kansas

Dear Doctor:

Enclosed please find folder relative to some of the recent hospitalization coverage that we have written.

You may rest assured that each and every one of these were open competition to every nationally know firm in the business including the various Blue Cross Plans.

A little individual inquiry will assure you that the Business Men's Assurance Company is one of the national leaders in this field.

Sincerely

Bill Butler

William L. Butler

WLB;DM

THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
Lawrence

Office of
THE CHANCELLOR

April 4, 1944

TO MEMBERS OF THE FACULTY AND STAFF:

May I call your careful attention to the enclosed letter from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of the Teachers and Employees Association of the University.

This letter is asking for your consideration of a proposal for the University group to join the Blue Cross Hospitalization plan. Hospital care of the sort covered by this insurance is one of the great hazards which we all face and which is so difficult to finance in any regular budget.

The Blue Cross is a carefully conceived and apparently sound plan to cover this risk.

Please give it careful consideration as one means of security for you in a vital area.

Sincerely yours,



Deane W. Malott
Chancellor

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THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS
Lawrence

BUSINESS OFFICE

KARL KLOOZ, Bursar

April 4, 1944

To the Person Addressed:

The Board of the Teachers and Employees Association of the University of Kansas has been studying various Hospitalization plans for the past several years without being able to recommend a specific plan that was acceptable.

At the request of the Chancellor the Board has again been investigating various plans and is unanimous in recommending to the Faculty and the Employees of the University of Kansas the Blue Cross Plan sponsored by the Kansas Hospital Service Association, Inc.

Enclosed herewith is a booklet giving specific information concerning the Blue Cross Plan. We trust that you will study this plan carefully and, if there are questions concerning same that are not answered to your satisfaction, please do not hesitate to call the Secretary or other members of the Board who will attempt to clarify any point not understood.

This Association has been asked because it is already organized for such a task to direct any hospitalization plan adopted by the University. This arrangement will require all who wish the Hospitalization plan and who are not now members of the Association to pay a membership fee of \$1.00 to join the Group.

In order to become an active group in the Blue Cross it is necessary that at least one-third of the total Faculty and Employees sign up for same. Enclosed with the booklet is an application blank which again is self explanatory. If you believe in a hospitalization plan of this type for the University, will you please fill in the necessary information on the application blank and sign and send to the Bursar at the Business Office together with one or more months premium, and the \$1.00 membership fee if you are not already a member of the Association.

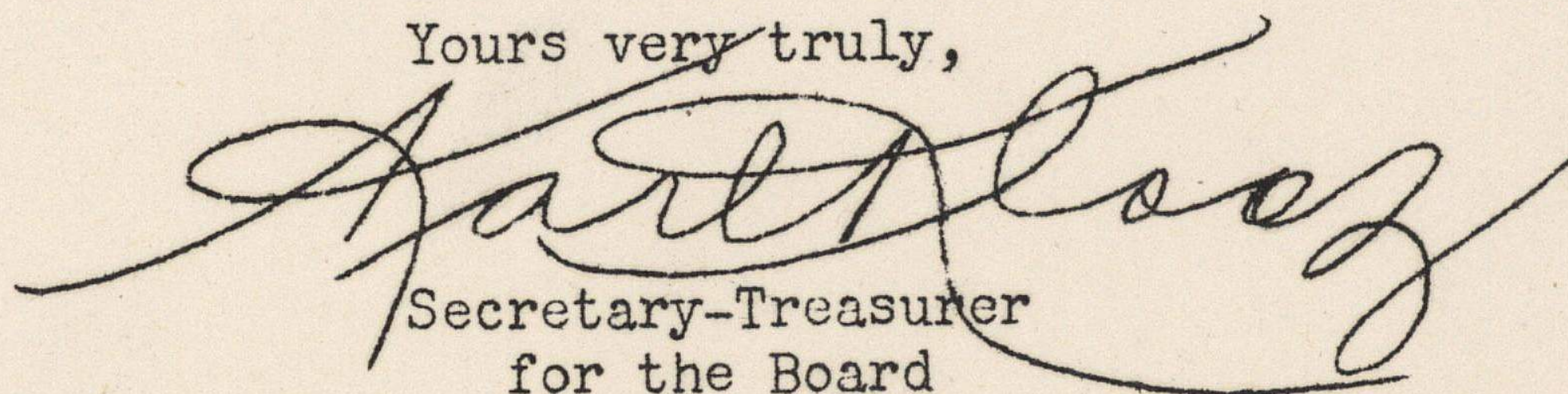
It is hoped to put this plan in operation by May 1, 1944; therefore it is necessary for you to return your application on or before April 15th, 1944.

Since pay roll deductions will not apply the payment authorization part of the card need not be filled in and signed.

This is a rapidly growing plan, now has 45,300 members, and many institutions and firms have adopted the plan and additional member hospitals have been added, including the Lawrence Memorial Hospital and the University of Kansas Hospitals at Kansas City, Kansas.

Looking forward to receiving your application by return mail, we are

Yours very truly,



Secretary-Treasurer
for the Board

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April 20, 1944.

Superintendent Smith,
The Pullman Company,
Union Station,
Kansas City, Mo.

Dear Superintendent Smith:

I am happy to commend to you Wilford Smith, a colored boy who has worked for us here at the University for four years. I have known this young man for quite some time as he attended high school with my children. He is a man of a large family and very fine habits. He is courteous, cooperative and loyal.

I have been very fond of this young man because of his earnestness in raising a splendid family. He is a family man in every sense of the word. With the family as a ballast he has worked hard, saved his money and has always paid his bills. He bears a good reputation in town and at the University.

As secretary of the local Selective Service Board I have come in contact with him a number of times. On account of physical disability he was put in 4F, but he was not content with this and volunteered the second time and we sent him to Leavenworth as he desired definitely to serve his country. He was turned down after the second examination. I mention this only to inform you that on some types of cases after a time elapses we have authority to allow the man to go back for a second examination. This pretty well shows his spirit, and I am glad to testify as to his character, his honesty and his thrift. He is affable and earnest in his work.

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Dr. Allen -

Wilford Brown (colored), who had volunteered for the Army, would like you to write a letter of recommendation for him to the Pullman Company, in care of Supt. Smith, Union Station, K. C. Mo. He worked on the hill for 4 years, and played on Mit's team in high school. He quit his job at the University, at \$92.00 a month because this was not enough for his family to live on. He is afraid Dr. Treece will send a not too favorable report on him, because he didn't want him to quit, and he hopes your letter will

counteract that letter. He is going over
on Monday, the 24th for an interview, and
would like for your letter to precede him.
He says you know him well enough to write
the letter.

AH

June 9, 1944.

Pvt. Theodore Bean, 15109155,
Prov. Btry - 402 F. A. Bn.,
APO 411,
Camp Gruber, Oklahoma.

Dear Theodore:

Colonel Watson McMorris told me about your good letter to him and what you had to say regarding the possibility of your returning to K.U. after the war. I want you to know that you would not only be welcome, but you would be thrice welcome.

Personally, I think you are one of the best basketball players that I have seen, and if I have been able to size up a fellow properly I think you can carry your honors very modestly. You are not an individual player, but a team player. When this war is over and if you would like to enroll at K.U. I want you to know that we would be mighty happy to have you here, and if you need any work to help along I am very sure that we can secure that for you.

I am sending you our last Jayhawk Rebounds and will put you on the mailing list so that you can learn something about the Kansas basketeers of earlier years. Of course I do not write the letter just for basketball players, but we used a basketball term for the title of the communication. But we send it to all the boys, and many boys who have never played basketball; in fact, many who have never been in athletics.

Please write me from time to time and let me know how you are getting along, and we will say something about you and what you are doing in our Rebounds. The one I am enclosing is rather an old one, but I presume that you have not seen it.

With all good wishes to you, and with kindest personal regards,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

Director of Physical Education,
Varsity Basketball Coach.

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CHARLES BRADFORD BLACK, JR.

LIEUTENANT, AIR CORPS
ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

P-38 Photo

Reconnaissance

Coffeyville
Army Air
Base

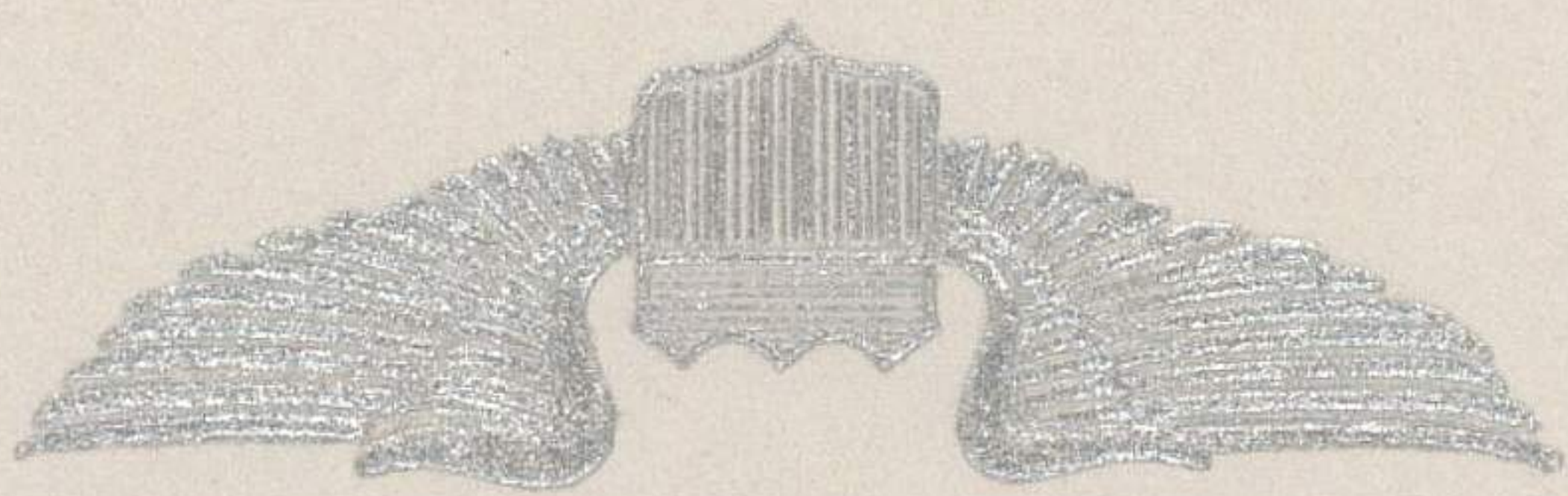
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Squadron
Jerry + Chas.

~~Osceola~~ City -

left last Sat. eve.

United States Army Air Forces



*The La Junta Army Flying School
of
La Junta, Colorado
announces the graduation of
Class 44-E
Tuesday morning, May twenty-third
Nineteen hundred and forty-four
at ten o'clock
Base Gymnasium*



Cpl Hayt Baker

"B" Btry 140th AAA

FORT BLISS, TEXAS

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FORT BLISS, TEXAS

April 25, 1944.

Dear Dr. Allen,

I should have written you long before now, but the time has surely passed by quickly since I got back from furlough in January.

The old campus sure looked good to me while I was back. I'm just hoping the time isn't too far away before I'll be back.

We have finished our training here at Fort Bliss and are waiting for shipping orders now. It will probably mean overseas before long. I have been in the good old U. S. A. for over a year now and I guess it is about

time for me to be
moving across and give
some of the fellows over
there a rest, they deserve it.

I received a letter from
Boss, and he is now in
Ireland. Paul Jr. my youngest
brother who is still a senior
in high school goes to the
Naval Air Corps July 1st &
sure hope he gets to take
his college training there
at N. U. All four of my brothers are in
service now.

I sure want to thank
you for the last newsletter,
and look forward to every
one of them. I know you
are awfully busy so don't
feel as though this letter
needs an answer. The
best of luck.

Always
"Babe"



UNITED STATES ARMY

June 3, 1944

Dear Doc:

Quite sometime has passed since I last sat down and wrote to you. My address has changed since I last saw you. I am now with the 13th Armored Division down at Camp Bowie, Texas. They couldn't have picked a better place to send me. I am only 125 miles from Ft. Worth where I was raised.

I am still with the mechanized Cavalry only now I am a squad leader in a combat outfit. There are a

lot of my trainees here
in the 93rd Cavalry. It
seems a bit strange to
be working with them and
not instructing them on
how to be a soldier.

When I left Ft. Riley
I had hoped to get out
of doing basic training, and
now I am right in the
midst of basic only it
is a lot more advanced
than what I was teaching.
I thought that I had
read all there was to
know about combat but
I find it is a little
different when you put
reading into practical
experience.



UNITED STATES ARMY

I saw Dick Harp before
I left Ft. Riley. He was
leaving for Adj. General's
school in Washington
D.C. the 9th of May. We
had a great time discussing
some of the old gang from
the S.A.E. house.

I miss school a lot
Doc, and I like to look
forward to the day when
I can return to proceed
on towards getting my
degree.

Doc, I can't think of

anything interesting to
write about at present.
I did however want to
write and let you know
that I now have a
new address.

I look forward to
getting my Jayhawk Re-
bound. I'll write again
in the near future.
Until then, I remain,

Sincerely your friend
Jack Ballard
"Jocco"

Troop A. 93rd Cav. Ren. Sq. Mecz
A.P.O. 263 Camp Bowie
Brownwood, Texas

Kansas Citian on U. S. Cruiser Hears Nazis Claim Craft Is Sunk

Lieut. William Belt and Others From This Area Are on
Tuscaloosa, Which Distinguishes Itself Smashing
Shore Batteries During Invasion.

BY MARCEL WALLENSTEIN.

(The Star's London Correspondent With
the Allied Forces.)

ABOARD U. S. S. Tuscaloosa, June 9 (Delayed).—Standing beneath a portrait of John Paul Jones in the wardroom as guns above fired salvos into German positions at Cherbourg peninsula today, Lieut. William Belt of 1330 East Thirtieth street, Kansas City, and Lieut. Carl Gray of Girard, Kas., told their invasion experience. Belt is a son of George Belt and a graduate of Kansas university, where he was an instructor until 1942. Gray, now in the marine corps, once delivered The Star to subscribers in Girard.

As we talked the cruiser trembled under its own gunfire directed by shore parties. The Tuscaloosa, carrying other Kansas, Missouri and Oklahoma men, distinguished herself by smashing heavy shore batteries. Since D-day I have watched her blowing heavy smoke rings as the guns spoke. All day positions near the coast have been crumbling under the blasting of this ship.

Blast Motor Transports.

Following dispatches from the shore arriving at rapid intervals, a plane reported ten motor transports hit.

Tuscaloosa's crew rescued many airmen and mariners during action and now has a new mascot in shape of toy monkey brought aboard by an air pilot after crashing into sea.

Enlisted men aboard from the Kansas City territory include William Bartley, Rubin Leve, Nick Podoba, Louis Ridenour, all of St. Louis; Forest Fain of Sweet Springs, Mo.; Bruce Kurtz, Wyaconda, Mo.; Chester Manness, Valley Park, Mo.; Carl Miller, Webb City, Mo.; Russell Pittman, Springfield, Mo.; Jack Swisher, Minneola, Kas.; John Graves, Muskogee, Ok., and Lloyd Henderson, Cherokee, Ok.

A Ship Nazis Fear.

All day today and yesterday these boys heard the German radio repeat a claim that the Tuscaloosa had been sunk. The Tuscaloosa,

which once guided Canadian destroyers against German raiders, is one of the most feared and hated of American ships by Germany and continues to make her name detested by enemy forces in this neighborhood.

Lieut. John Fletcher, 6522 Pennsylvania avenue, son of Mrs. Charles W. Fletcher, was a member of Admiral Don Moon's naval staff in the invasion. Fletcher is a graduate of Southwest high and of Kansas university in 1942. He is 22 years old and was present at all early conferences which prepared for the assault. He is a communications officer.

Also with Admiral Moon were Signalman Charles Cassidy, Wichita, Kas.; Hospitalman Clem Sears, Bartlesville, Ok.; Seaman Robert Byrne, Springfield, Mo.; Boatswain's Mate Clarence Neuman, Wilber, Neb.; the admiral's staff also included Lieut. Thomas Hieronymous, assistant United States district attorney, Oklahoma City; Lieut. Joseph Weindle, Miami, Ok., and Lieut. Holman Lee, jr., son of Holman Lee, Kemper Military school, Boonville, Mo.

Lieut. (j. g.) William Belt, 27 years old, entered the navy as a midshipman after receiving his master's degree in Spanish at the University of Kansas in 1941. After completing midshipman school at Columbia university, New York, he

took a 2-month course in aircraft identification at Ohio State university. He was assigned to the cruiser U. S. S. Tuscaloosa as aircraft recognition officer.

Lieutenant Belt was graduated from Westport high school in 1934 and attended Junior college for two years before going to Kansas university. He was employed by T. H. Mastin & Co. here for a short time. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Belt. Mr. Belt is an independent buyer of oil leases.

Lieutenant Fletcher applied for a commission in the naval reserve soon after being graduated from college in 1942. He trained at Newport, R. I., and took a communications course in Washington where he received the highest grade in his class and was rated "outstanding and a credit to the naval reserve." He was advanced to lieutenant junior grade and sent to England in March. He is unmarried.

LAW "GRADS" TO A REUNION.

A reunion of the 1924 graduating class of the Kansas City School of Law will be held tomorrow night at the home of Jesse I. Moritz, 2317 Swope Parkway.

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for Future Use"**



Dr. Clarence

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BARUCH AID TO HEALTH

Research In Physical Medicine Backed By \$1,100,000.

Grants Are Made to the Nation's Leading Medical Schools for Study of New Treatments.

By Howard W. Blakeslee
(Associated Press Science Editor.)

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Will Give More Money.

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